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During the afternoon met with Mr. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who advised that he had talked to Mr. Kelleher concerning Secretary Clifford's determination regarding phasing out of an Agency project. Mr. Blandford asked that I remind him the first thing on Monday and refresh his memory on details so that he may discuss the matter with the Chairman who will be back on Monday. He mentioned that "they" had discussed this matter with Secretary Clifford, but did not feel that the discussion had had any real effect.

I also mentioned Chairman Rivers' conversation with the Director and Mr. Maury's later meeting with the Chairman concerning the <u>Pueblo</u>. Mr. Blandford appeared to be up-to-date on the conversations and not greatly concerned. I also advised him of Mr. Warner's and Mr. Maury's meeting with Representative Philbin concerning the cost-of-living amendment to the Agency Retirement Act.

Mr. Blandford does not see time for a meeting of the CIA Subcommittee. It is necessary for the Armed Services Committee to get back to the Military Procurement Authorization hearings, which are not even scheduled at the moment.

Mr. Blandford noted in passing that the Hardy trip is progressing satisfactorily, but provided no details about it.

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